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REMARKS

Claims 1-46 are currently pending, of which claims 1, 13, 22, 31, and 40 are independent. Claims 1-2, 5-7, 9-13, 22-23, 26, 29, 31-38 and 40 are amended for clarity. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the action mailed March 1, 2005, is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-46 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,085,226 to Horvitz ("Horvitz") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,313,855 to Shuping et al. ("Shuping").

Section 103(a) Rejections

Claim 1 stands rejected as unpatentable over Horvitz in view of Shuping. Claim 1 recites a method that includes storing on a client device, in response to a first user input, a link to a remote destination and a link to a remote bookmark media object associated with the remote destination. A second user input on the client device requests a display of a bookmark window. In response to the user request, the remote associated bookmark media object is retrieved by the client device. The display of the bookmark window includes a bookmark for the destination and the retrieved remote associated bookmark media object. The retrieved remote bookmark media object provides a representation of the bookmarked destination.

Neither Horvitz nor Shuping disclose or suggest displaying a bookmark window in response to a user input that includes displaying a retrieved remote bookmark media object associated with the bookmarked destination.

In Horvitz, a technique for prefetching one or more web pages during times of low processing activity is disclosed. See col. 1, lines 18-25. By prefetching subsequent web pages likely to be selected by the user, the system increases the speed of displaying web pages. See col. 8, lines 36-44. When a user views a web page, for example using a browser, the system identifies associated web pages that are likely to be fetched by the user. See col. 7, lines 37-40; col. 8, lines 48-52. The system uses a probabilistic model to identify the web pages likely to be

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fetched by the user. See col. 8, lines 52-56; col. 24, lines 24-38. The identified web pages are then automatically prefetched and cached. See col. 9, lines 1-15.

One or more of the prefetched web pages can be presented to the user as web page recommendations. See col. 39, lines 59-64. The browser can include preview windows (e.g., windows adjacent to the main browser window) that can be used to render one or more of the prefetched web pages; for example, the web pages having the highest likelihood of selection. See col. 30, lines 34-41; col. 40, lines 1-5; FIG. 15A. The user can select one of the pages rendered in a preview window to open the prefetched web page in the main browser window. See col. 40, lines 39-47.

Horvitz does not disclose or suggest displaying a bookmark window in response to a user input, where displaying a bookmark window includes a retrieving a remote bookmark media object associated with a bookmarked destination. Horvitz automatically presents recommended web pages to the user based on a probabilistic model of likely web page selections. Horvitz does not present a bookmark media object associated with a previously bookmarked destination in response to a user input.

Additionally, the web pages presented to the user in Horvitz do not include a retrieved remote bookmark media object. In Horvitz, the preview pages present an image of a web page destination generated locally on the client device. In contrast, claim 1 requires that the client device retrieve a remote bookmark media object associated with a bookmarked destination where a link to the bookmark media object has been previously stored on the client computer in response to a user input. Horvitz does not retrieve a remote bookmark media object in response to a user input.

In Shuping a system for web browsing is disclosed. See Abstract. The system displays multiple web pages at the same time in a single window. See col. 4, lines 17-24. The system can include three separate panels in the browser window for displaying past, current, and future web pages simultaneously. See col. 5, lines 6-10; FIG. 2. The first panel renders one or more past web pages. See col. 5, lines 26-35. The second panel renders a current web page. See col. 5, lines 11-25. The third panel renders one or more future web pages. See col. 6, lines 6-20. The

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links in the current web page are identified in order to automatically render the future web pages in the third panel (i.e., a future web page is presented in the third panel for each destination link in the current page). See col. 6, lines 27-34. Each of the rendered future and past web pages can be selected in order to make the selected web page the current web page. See col. 8, lines 13-27. When a new page is selected as the current page (e.g., by selecting one of the future web pages), the existing current page is moved to the first panel of past web pages and new future pages are generated according to the links in the "new" current page. See col. 6, lines 27-44.

Shuping does not disclose or suggest displaying a bookmark window in response to a user input, where displaying a bookmark window includes a retrieving a remote bookmark media object. Shuping automatically generates images of future and past web pages. Each viewed web page is automatically rendered in the past panel once the user has selected a new page. Each future page is automatically generated according the hyperlinks identified in a currently viewed web page. Shuping does not present remote bookmark media objects associated with bookmarked destinations in response to a user input.

Additionally, the web pages presented to the user in Shuping do not include a retrieved remote bookmark media object. In Shuping, the past and future panels present images of a web page destinations generated locally on the client device. In contrast, claim 1 requires that the client device retrieve a remote bookmark media object associated with a bookmarked destination where a link to the bookmark media object has been previously stored on the client computer in response to a user input. Shuping does not retrieve a remote bookmark media object in response to a user input. The Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, as well as claims 2-12, which depend from claim 1, are in condition for allowance.

Claim 13 stands rejected as unpatentable over Horvitz in view of Shuping. Claim 13 recites a method that includes generating a set of bookmark media objects. Each bookmark media object corresponds to a network destination in a computing environment and provides a representation of the corresponding network destination. One or more of the bookmark media objects are provided to a remote client device in response to a request.

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Neither Horvitz nor Shuping disclose or suggest generating a set of bookmark media objects and providing the bookmark media objects to a remote client device. In Horvitz, web pages are prefetched by a client device from one or more remote locations and then rendered for presentation to a user. Horvitz does not disclose or suggest generating a set of bookmark media objects corresponding to a network destination and then providing the bookmark media objects to a remote client device. Similarly, in Shuping, web pages are automatically rendered on a local client device based on the previously viewed web pages or by fetching the web pages linked through a current web page. Shuping does not disclose or suggest generating a set of bookmark media objects corresponding to a network destination and then providing the bookmark media objects to a remote client device. The Applicant respectfully submits that claim 13, as well as claims 14-21, which depend from claim 13, are in condition for allowance.

Claim 22 stands rejected as unpatentable over Horvitz in view of Shuping. Claim 22 recites a computer-readable medium having instructions to cause a programmable processor to display a bookmark window in response to a user input. The displaying includes retrieving a remote associated bookmark media object associated with a bookmarked destination. For the same reasons set forth above with respect to claim 1, claim 22 as well as claims 23-30, which depend from claim 22, are in condition for allowance.

Claim 31 stands rejected as unpatentable over Horvitz in view of Shuping. Claim 31 recites a system that includes a web browser configured to display a bookmark window in response to a user input. The displaying includes retrieving a remote associated bookmark media object associated with a bookmarked destination. For the same reasons set forth above with respect to claim 1, claim 31 as well as claims 32-39, which depend from claim 22, are in condition for allowance.

Claim 40 stands rejected as unpatentable over Horvitz in view of Shuping. Claim 40 recites generating a set of bookmark media objects and providing the bookmark media objects to a remote client device. For the same reasons set forth above with respect to claim 13, claim 40 as well as claims 41-46, which depend from claim 40, are in condition for allowance.

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The Applicant respectfully requests that all pending claims be allowed. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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